



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Kenneth Stroebel
The Sherwin-Williams Company
101 Prospect Avenue NW
Cleveland, OH 44115-1075

Re: Partial Approval of the May 2015 revised Remedial Investigation Report for Soil, Sediment, Surface Water and Groundwater at the Route 561 Dump Site, Gibbsboro, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Stroebel:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the revised Remedial Investigation Report (RI report) for the Route 561 Dump Site, Gibbsboro, New Jersey which was submitted on May 14, 2015.

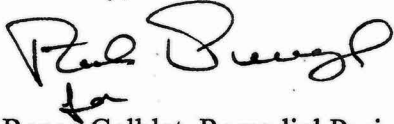
The data collected from soils, sediment and surface water at the Route 561 Dump Site (Dump Site), as presented in the revised Dump Site RI report, adequately characterize the nature and extent of contaminants for those media. EPA approves this RI report for the soil, sediment, and surface water of the Dump Site. Sherwin Williams is to prepare a Feasibility Study for these Dump Site media under one operable unit.

The RI report, however, does not provide adequate data to support the conclusions concerning groundwater interaction with surface water. This concern with the report combined with the bifurcation of the site into separate operable units is the basis for EPA's decision not to approve the groundwater component of the revised RI report.

Based on the data presented in the draft RI report, in May 2015, EPA informed Sherwin Williams of the decision to create a separate operable unit for the Dump Site groundwater. EPA may require Sherwin Williams to conduct further groundwater investigations at the Dump Site prior to implementation of remedial activities that may be selected for the Dump Site soils, sediment and surface water. Additional groundwater investigations will be required during, or after implementation of remedial activities that may be selected for the Dump Site soils, sediment, and surface water. The results of such groundwater investigations at the Dump Site will be presented to EPA in a groundwater remedial investigation report.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 212-637-4414 or at gelblat.renee@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Renee Gelblat".

Renee Gelblat, Remedial Project Manager
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Enclosure

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